

Community Hospital Task Force

November 27, 2007

5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Quality Partners of Rhode Island (235 Promenade St., 5th floor, Providence)

Charge: The long-term charge to the Task Force is to recommend changes to health care payment methods used by all payers that realign incentives to promote high-quality and cost-efficient care.

Meeting goals: Review Medicare's payment methodology and understand its principles.
Recommend principles that should guide hospital inpatient payment methodology.

Co-chairs: Christopher F. Koller, Health Insurance Commissioner
Gary Alexander, Director, Department of Human Services

5:00 – 5:10 Introductions and welcome to speakers (Koller and Alexander)

5:10 – 5:40 Explanation of Medicare's inpatient payment methodology (Miechal Lefkowitz and team from CMS) See attachment #2

5:40 – 5:55 Questions from Task Force to CMS

5:55 – 6:35 Task Force member discussion on inpatient payment principles (Tom Miller, facilitator)
See attachment #5

6:35 – 6:45 Summary of discussion and connection to next meeting's agenda (Koller)
See attachment #6 (Presented by Kevin Quinn, ACS)

6:45 – 7:00 Public comment

<i>Attachments - supporting materials</i>	Distributed via email	Distributed at meeting
1. Agenda	X	X
2. MS-DRGs and other IPPS issues (ppt slides)		X
3. Bios of consultants to CHTF	X	X
4. Medicaid Payments to Hospitals, 2005-2007		X
5. Identification of Principles for the Development of a Case-Based Payment System for Medicaid Inpatients		X
6. Purchasing Hospital Inpatient Care in Rhode Island: Options for Improvement (December 15, 2006)		X

Next meeting: December 12th, 2007 5:00 -7:00 p.m. Department of Labor and Training, Building #73 – First Floor Conference Room, Pastore Complex, Cranston

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<http://www.eohhs.ri.gov/taskforce/index.php>